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1. REFTEL INDICATES FIRST PHASE INTERVIEWS UNDER NEW PROGRAM TO BE HELD IN LATE SEPTEMBER BUT DOES NOT INDICATE REASONS FOR THIS DELAY. AT MOMENT WE HAVE 51 PERSONS (13 PRINCIPALS AND 38 OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS) AT JOSE FABELLA CENTER WHO ARRIVED IN PHILIPPINES IN SMALL BOATS PRIOR 1977, DO NOT MEET ANY OF CRITERIA OF FOUR CATEGORIES, HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED RESETTLEMENT BY ANY OTHER COUNTRY AND ARE UNLIKELY TO BE, AND HAVE EXPRESSED DESIRE RESETTLE IN U.S. IT IS BELIEVED THAT ALL WILL QUALIFY AS BOAT CASES UNDER NEW STANDARDS.

2. EMBASSY AND INS WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN INTERVIEWEING AND OTHER PROCESSING OF THESE PERSONS NOW BUT HESITATE TO DO SO IF THERE ARE GOOD BUT UNKNOWN REASONS TO DELAY INTERVIEWS UNTIL LATE SEPTEMBER. THERE ARE TWO REASONS FOR WISHING MOVE PROGRAM FORWARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE: JOSE FABELLA CENTER IS BECOMING CRAWDED (THERE ARE NOW 620 VIETNAMESE IN CENTER
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WITH 58 OTHERS NOW IN PALAWAN AND 8 IN SUBIC BAY WHO WILL BE MOVED TO CENTER SHORTLY) AND MOVEMENT OF ALL OR EVEN SOME OF THESE 51 PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN HERE LONGEST WOULD BE CONVINCING GESTURE TO GOP THAT HERETOFORE UNQUALIFIED REFUGEES ARE INDEED NOW ELIGIBLE FOR RESETTLEMENT, WHICH SHOULD ENCOURAGE GOP TO MAINTAIN ITS HOSPITABLE ATTITUDE TOWARD OTHER INDOCHINESE WHO MAY ARRIVE HERE IN FUTURE.

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